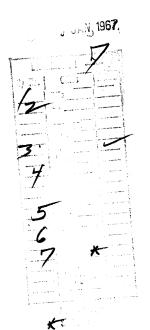
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REFERENCE 1: CIA/IAD CABLE CIA-P-167

REFERENCE 2: NPIC BRIEFING BOARD L-2466, 27 DECEMBER 1966

PHOTOGRAPHY REVEALS THAT A

PARTICULARLY SHARP SET OF CURVES ON THE BY-PASS RAILROAD ROUTE

AROUND THE HANOI RAILROAD AND HIGHWAY BRIDGE OVER THE CANAL DES

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AT 21 OAN - 105 54E IS BEING REALIGNED

TO LESSEN THE CURVATURE OF THE ROADBED. THE BY-PASS BRIDGE WAS

ORIGINALLY NOTED UNDER CONSTRUCTION ON PHOTOGRAPHY DATED 26

APRIL 1966 BUT HAS NEVER BEEN COMPLETED (REFERENCE NO. 1).

ANALYSIS OF

PHOTOGRAPHY REVEALS THAT NO RAIL

HAS BEEN PLACED ON THE ROAD BED; HOWEVER ANALYSIS OF THE REALIG

HAS BEEN PLACED ON THE ROAD BED; HOWEVER ANALYSIS OF THE REALIGNED ROADBED INDICATES THE CURVATURE REDUCTION IS CONSISTANT WITH THE REDUCTION ASSOCIATED WITH THE MODIFICATION OF METER TO STANDARD GAUGE (IE. THE ORIGINAL 360' (APPROX.) AND 380' (APPROX.) CURVES HAVE BEEN MODIFIED TO 720' (APPROX).

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2. NUMEROUS PROBABLE RAILROAD TIES MEASURING
IN LENGTH HAVE BEEN OBSERVED ADJACENT TO A PROBABLE RAILROAD YARD
UNDER CONSTRUCTION 1 NM NORTHEAST OF THE YEN VIEW RAILROAD
CLASSIFICATION YARD AT 21 05N - 105 55E (REFERENCE
2). THESE PROBABLE TIES CLOSELY APPROXIMATE THE OVERSIZE TIES
FOUND ON THE DUAL GAUGE (IE. METER AND STANDARD GAUGE) PORTIONS
OF THE RAIL LINE IN THE KEP AREA (21 24N106 17E).
3. ANALYSIS OF PHOTOGRAPHY REVEALS THAT A
TURNING WYE IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION 0.4 NM NORTHEAST OF THE YEN VIEN
RAILROAD CLASSIFICATION YARD. THE RADIUS OF CURVATURE OF THE
COMPLETED SEGMENT OF THE TURNING WYE IS 720' (APPROX) AS OPPOSED
TO THE 330' (APPROX) RADIUS OF CURVATURE ON THE EXISTING METER
GAUGE TURNING WYE IN THE YEN VIEN CLASSIFICATION YARD.
4. IN SUMMARY, THE LESSENING OF ROADBED CURVATURE AND THE
PRESENCE OF OVERSIZE PROBABLE RAILROAD TIES IN THE YEN VIEW AREA
STRONGLY INDICATES THAT THE NORTH VIETNAMESE ARE ACTIVELY
PREPARING TO EXTEND DUAL GAUGE TRACK (IE. METER AND STANDARD
GAUGE) ON THE HANOI/DONG DANG RAILROAD LINE FROM THE KEP
AREA SOUTHWARD TOWARD HANOI.
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